

Clark County Public Works

Bid Inquiry Log

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Project CRP: 393722

Title: NE 162nd Ave (NE39th Street to NE Ward Road)

Engineer in Charge: David Dolan

Date: 4/30/04

Question: Will the height of the "masonry retaining walls" be measured from the top of the wall to the top of the crushed surfacing base course?

Reference: page 140, section 6-13A.4

Answer: Yes

Date:4/30/04

Question: a) Planting note 9, on sheet 119, indicates that a 3" layer of bark mulch is to be spread after plant installation. There is a bid item for bark mulch. What is the intent of having a bid item for bark mulch? Will the contractor need to come behind the landscaper (that does the planting) to place this bark mulch, or what? Please clarify. b) If contractor is to place bark mulch, please specify what size of bark mulch is acceptable?

Reference: note 9, on sheet 119

Answer:

a) On sheet 119 Note 9 change "Following Plant Installation" to "Prior to Plant Installation"

b) Refer to Special Provisions and Standard Specification 9-14.4(3)

Date: 4/30/04

Question: The landscape plans from sheet 108 to 118 indicate "Landscape Plantings not in Contract." Are the plantings shown on sheet 131 at the pump station, also not in the contract?

Reference: sheet 108 to 118, and sheet 131

Answer: Landscape Planting shown on sheet 131 are "not in Contract" and will be done by others.

Date: 5/3/04

Question: Does this job call for any traffic signals, controllers, etc.?

Reference: UNANSWERED

Answer: Yes

Date: 5/3/04

Question: Where is section 1-06.2(2) of the Special Provisions?

Reference: 5-04.3(7)A Mix Design

Answer: Delete the sentence "Statistical evaluation will not apply to this project, per Section 1-06.2(2) of these Special Provisions." And replace with the sentence "Statistical evaluation will not apply to this project."

Date: 5/6/04

Question: I would like to get a copy of the following drawing sheets in an electronic dwg or dxf file(s) (AutoCAD 2000 or previous release): retaining walls (sheets 14, 15), noise barrier walls (sheets 19 :22), and street plans (sheets 23:52). I would also like a file with the same format for the street cross sections that were used in the earthwork calculations. Can you put these on an ftp site, or in some other way make them accessible?

Reference: N/A

Answer: Electronic dwgs or dxf file(s) will not be available prior to bid.

Date: 5/6/04

Question: Section 7-08.4 (p. 156) states that there will be no separate measurement for trench excavation and backfill for waterline pipes...all work and material shall be included in measurement per linear foot for the pipe installed. This conflicts with the COV Special Provisions 7-11.5 (p. 280). Which one is correct?

Reference: 7-08.4

Answer: Section 7-08.4 of the Special Provisions supercede and are to replace the language as it pertains to excavation, bedding and backfilling of the trenches. Excavation, bedding and backfilling of the waterline trenches are incidental to and included in the measurement per linear foot of pipe installed.

Date: 5/6/04

Question: Are any spare parts required for the stormwater pump system?

Reference: 147

Answer: All Bidders are responsible to review the bid plans and documents. Part Four-Special Provisions Section 7-05A and 7-20A address requirements for the pump station and electrical work.

Date: 5/7/04

Question: It appears that there was supposed to be an Appendix A with a geotechnical report for the vicinity of the pump station, incorporated into the bid documents as an Appendix A. I don't have this in my documents. How can I view and/or get a copy of this report and all other (if any exist) geotechnical reports pertaining to this project?

Reference: page 157

Answer: The referenced geotechnical report as well as the cross sections and the TCPs are on file and available for copying at J-2 Printing.

Date: 5/7/04

Question: The design conditions specified do not make sense. The table has head increasing as flow increases. It needs to be the opposite as flow increases head must decrease. Please clarify.

Reference: REF: 7-05A.2(2) Pump Station Performance

Answer: Without additional information, it sounds like what is being described is the pump curve. However, please keep in mind the project specifications identify the system curve. With a system curve, as the flow increases, the head also increases. When the system curve and pump curve are plotted together, the point at which the two lines intersect is the point where the system will operate. This is typically referred to as the duty point.

Date: 5/7/04

Question: Various times the note: "Infill median with Cem. Conc. (Depth - 0.33')\" occurs. How is this item measured and paid for? Is any crushed surfacing base course required beneath this concrete median infill, and if so, what item is that paid under?

Reference: sheets 23, 26, 27, 34, ...

Answer: The cost for the infill concrete is incidental to and included in the measurement per linear foot of Cement Concrete Traffic Curb Type E-1. There is no CSBC required beneath the infill concrete.

Date: 5/10/04

Question: Regarding composted amended topsoil, specs state material to be used is at the County's Whatley Pit Facility. Is the County providing this product or is there a charge?

Reference: 8-02.3(6) Soil Amendments

Answer: There will be no charge for the material. The Contractor will be responsible for costs associated with the loading and hauling of the material as well as conducting operations at the pit in a manner acceptable to the County's representative including, but not limited to noise and dust suppression, and traffic and operational safety.

Date: 5/10/04

Question: Is the county going to do thier own survey staking on this job or will it be up to the contractor awarded the contract?

Reference: None

Answer: yes

Date: 5/10/04

Question: Special provision section 7-20A is referenced in a previous response. My special provisions have a section 7-15 on on page 158, and start section 8-01 on page 159 without a section 7-20A in between. Where is section 7-20A?

Reference: section 7-20A

Answer: Section 8-20A should have been referenced

Date: 5/10/04

Question: 1) Does this project have a one or two year warranty? 2) Is the time of completion for the entire project 150 days? 3) What are the liquidated damages?

Reference:

Answer: 1) Specific warranties are described in the Standard Specifications and Special Provisions where applicable 2) yes, 3) Refer to Section 1-08.9 of the Standard Specifications

Date: 5/12/04

Question: What is the duty point for these pumps. Are there muliple pumps running to get 8000 GPM @ 101'? The HP required at this point is approaching 250 HP. The spec calls for 100 HP motors

Reference: UNANSWERED

Answer: Three identical pumps operating in parallel will be used to pump stormwater over a wide range of flow rates. The peak pumping rate required for this pump station is 8,000 gpm at an associated TDH of 101.4 feet. It is assumed that at this peak flow rate, simultaneous operation of all three pumps will be required.

Date: 5/12/04

Question: There are runs in the state ROW that seem to need DIP Why is there not another pay item in Section 2

Reference: UNANSWERED

Answer: Refer to Special Provisions Section 7-04.2 Materials for determining the need for DIP.

Date: 5/12/04

Question: 1) Is there fertilizer used in the seed portion of this project? 2) If so, what mix is it? (example: 22-16-8) 3) If so, what is the application rate? 4) Since a tackifier is needed for mulching, and is not listed under the Special Provisions, what is the specified application rate for the tackifier? 5) What fertilizer is used for the plants - granular or tablets? 6) If granular, what mix is it (ex: 5-4-3)? If tablets, what amount of gram (ex: 21 gram, 5 gram)? Thank you!

Reference: Special Provisions; Amendments to Standard Specs; drawings

Answer: 1,2 &3) No fertilizer shall be used unless a need is established for the site as shown by a soil test. The test shall establish the need, formulation and application rate. 4) Tacking agents shall be applied in accordance with the manufactures recommended requirements. 5&6) See answer above.

Date: 5/13/04

Question: Is it intended that all vegetation except Ivy, Blackberries and Knotweed be stockpiled at the described mitigation site?

Reference: 2-01.2 Disposal of Usable Material & Debris

Answer: Refer to Section 2-01.2 of the Special Provisions

Date: 5/13/05

Question: IN THE PLANS, PAGES 23 THRU 52 I COUNT ONLY 46 AREAS FOR DETECTABLE WARNING STRIPS. THERE ARE 82 UNITS IN THE BID ITEMS. ARE ALL THE EXISTING ADA RAMPS GETTING TRUNCATED DOMES? EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE NOT MARKED TO DO SO.

Reference: DETECTABLE WARNING PATTERN

Answer: We have verified that the quantities shown in the bid proposal are accurate. Refer to wording contained on PP01 sheet 23 and note on I01 sheet 83 with respect for the need to add truncated domes to all new and existing ramps.

Date: 5/13/05

Question: Who is responsible for the relocation, replacement or extension of the existing water services/laterals throughout the project alignment. Is there a count of how many services/laterals will need to be extended, replaced or relocated if this work is to be performed by the contractor? If it is to be performed by the contractor and if it is incidental to other items of work, to which group of bid items should it be incidental - the county roadwork, the state right of way work or the water system work. If it is not to be incidental where are the pay items? If this work is not to be performed by the contractor and if these extensions, relocations and replacements will be handled by COV or other forces where is this indicted and where is the contact information so that a reasonable construction sequence can be determined prior to bid time.

Reference: The bid form, the plans, the special provisions

Answer: We are unable to determine from your question what water services/laterals are being referenced. The project does not anticipate the need to relocate services.

Date: 5/13/05

Question: Is it the county's intention that pay item #123 should cover cost of all pipe in the ROW? Or will the DIP be paid for under pay item 34? According to the specail provisions there should be another pay item for ductile storm sewer., however there is no pay item in Part 2 for ductile storm sewer.

Reference: Question on 5-12-04

DIP will be paid under Item 34.

Date: 5/13/05

Question: Will the contractor be held to Clark County's and/or WSDOT specs for installation of loop pockets or will they be allowed to drill through the curb gutter as have been done in past Clark County projects?

Reference: UNANSWERED

Answer: Bid in accordance with the plans and specifications

Date: 5/14/05

Question: Please explain bid item #4 Temporary Construction Permit/Property Owner Agreement Work? Where is this shown and how is it paid?

Reference: Bid Item #4

Answer: Reference page 94 of the Special Provisions for information pertaining to Measurement and Payment associated with TCP/POA work. Work to be performed is shown on the plans and are referenced by parcel number

Date: 5/14/05

Question: After review of the published TCP's it is unclear as to who is responsible for many of the owner agreements. The language in many cases refers to Clark County, see TCP page 103, as the responsible party. In other agreements the contractor is mentioned; see TCP page 54, as the responsible party. And yet in other agreements, see TCP page 115, both Clark County and the contractor are mentioned as responsible parties. In this agreement, it is also mentioned that the owner will be reimbursed monies, who will reimburse the owners? How do we as bidders know what Clark County will responsible for and what the contractor will be responsible for?

Reference: TCP Volume

Answer: See above response

Date: 5/14/05

Question: On plan sheet 92: NW 162nd and 65th Street what does the Not In Contract mean the notes call out for new Type III Signal poles are they to be included in bid item 100

Reference: plan sheet 92

Answer: Plan sheet 92 is intended to show the current conditions found at the intersection. Sheet 93 depicts the traffic signal modifications which are required at NE 162nd Ave and NE 65th St.

Date: 5/14/05

Question: Under Special Provisions, Section 8-02.3(6) Soil Amendments, it mentions a compost amended topsoil, as well as a soil amendment. Are these the same things? If not, what is the soil amendment? Please list where I can find this, and/or what is required.

Reference: Special Provisions, Section 8-02.3(6)

Answer: Compost amended topsoil is the specified soil amendment to be used on the project.

Date: 5/14/05

Question: 1) Is temporary seeding required on both seeding items listed (Item #69 and #138 on the Bid Proposal) as well as permanent seeding? (2) Or is it just for one of the bid items? (3) If so, which one? (4) Is temporary seeding required at all, or is it just as needed?

Reference: Special Provisions, Section 8-02.3(15)

Answer: Items #69 and #138 describe permanent seeding. The contract does not contain a pay item for temporary seeding.

Date: 5/14/05

Question: Has there been a modification to the Federal Wage Rate Determination.

Answer: Yes Modification #7 revised Plumbers and Pipefitter wage rate as follows (Reference page 38 of the Federal Wage Determination)

PLUM0290-003 04/01/2004

CLARK (ALL EXCLUDING NORTHERN TIP INCLUDING CITY OF WOODLAND)

	Rates	Fringes
Plumbers and Pipefitters	\$32.58	\$14.07

Date: 5/47/04

Question: PVC C-900 isn't available in 1" piping, what will be an acceptable replacement material?

Reference: 7-15 Service Connections

Answer: Section 7-15 SERVICE CONNECTIONS (Page 158) provides for the water service to be PVC, 1 inch Diam. This can be substituted for C-900 that is shown on plan sheets for pump station.

Date: 5/17/04

Question: On sheet 99, Construction note #13 "Existing CPU street light relocation". Is the contractor responsible for the relocation of these light poles and if so under which bid item do they fall under?

Reference: UNANSWERED

Answer: No

Date: 5/17/04

Question: In addendum #1, Bid item No. 92 "Schedule 40 PVC 1.5 In. Diam. (City), was deleted. On Plan sheets 99,100 & 101, Construction note #12 states "Furnish & install 1.5 in. PVC rigid conduit with detectable mule tape. Is this the conduit that was deleted? If not under which bid item does this conduit belong? There was no reference to this construction note being deleted in addendum #1.

Reference: UNANSWERED

Answer: yes

Date: 5/17/04

On 5/13 I submitted a question regarding the scale on drawing sheet # 84. It has not been answered. The question is. The scale bar shows a scale of 1:20, but the station marks on the drawing are at a scale of 1:40. What is the correct scale?

Reference: UNANSWERED

Answer: The scale on the full size original is inch/20 as per the title block, but the scale bar shown on the plan is inch/10, which is in error.

The other signal plans have the scale bar shown correctly.

Date: 5/17/04

Question: On page 129 2-09.3(1)E Backfilling, it states "Control density fill will not be required in those areas where the roadway is new or the entire existing roadway is to be removed and replaced." Will the work being done between STA 291+22 TO 299+65, STA 311+24 TO 315+75, STA 318+50 TO 329+00, STA 333+50 TO 338+25, be considered "new" roadway, thus not requiring CDF?

Reference: page 129 2-09.3(1)E Backfilling

Answer: No. **Note:** The CDF requirement pertains to transverse and diagonal trenches only.

Date: 5/17/04

Question: Is there any irrigation for the landscaping portion on this project? If so, which bid item is it listed as?

Reference: UNANSWERED

Answer: The plans and specifications describe the work required for the project.